

**CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A method of cancelling a pending notify command at a target device comprising:
- a. sending a cancelling command over a network from a controlling device to the target device, wherein the cancelling command is a status command sent while the pending notify command is pending; and
  - b. cancelling the pending notify command at the target device when the cancelling command is received while the pending notify command is pending.

Claims 2-4 (canceled).

5. (original) The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the network substantially complies with a version of the IEEE 1394 standard.

6. (original) The method as claimed in claim 5 wherein the cancelling command substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

7. (currently amended) A target device for communicating with a controlling device over a network, the target device comprising:

- a. means for communicating with the controlling device over the network, the means for communicating including ability to receive a notify command from the controlling device, issue an interim response to the notify command to the controlling device and receive a cancelling command from the controlling device, wherein the cancelling command is a status command sent while the pending notify command is pending; and
- b. means for cancelling coupled to the means for communicating for cancelling a pending notify command if a cancelling command is received from the controlling device while the pending notify command is pending.

Claims 8-10 (canceled).

1     11.     (original)     The target device as claimed in claim 7 wherein the network substantially  
2     complies with a version of the IEEE 1394 standard.

1     12.     (original)     The target device as claimed in claim 11 wherein the cancelling command  
2     substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

1     13.     (currently amended)   A target device configured to communicate with a controlling  
2     device over a network, the target device comprising:  
3         a.     an interface circuit configured to communicate with the controlling device over  
4               the network, the interface circuit including ability to receive a notify command  
5               from the controlling device, issue an interim response to the notify command and  
6               receive a cancelling command from the controlling device, wherein the cancelling  
7               command is a status command sent while the pending notify command is pending;  
8               and  
9         b.     a control circuit coupled to the interface circuit to cancel a pending notify  
10               command if a cancelling command is received from the controlling device while  
11               the pending notify command is pending.

Claims 14-16 (canceled).

1     17.     (original)     The target device as claimed in claim 13 wherein the network substantially  
2     complies with a version of the IEEE 1394 standard.

1     18.     (original)     The target device as claimed in claim 17 wherein the cancelling command  
2     substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

19.     (canceled).

- 1     20.     (currently amended) A network of devices coupled together comprising:  
2             a.       a controlling device configured to send a cancelling command to cancel a pending  
3                     notify command, wherein the cancelling command is a status command sent while  
4                     the pending notify command is pending; and  
5             b.       a target device including:  
6                 i.       an interface circuit configured to communicate with the controlling device  
7                     to receive the cancelling command from the controlling device; and  
8                 ii.      a control circuit coupled to the interface circuit to cancel a pending notify  
9                     command if the cancelling command is received from the controlling  
10                    device while the pending notify command is pending.

Claims 21-23 (canceled).

- 1     24.     (original)     The network of devices as claimed in claim 20 wherein the target device is  
2     coupled to the controlling device over a network substantially complying with a version of the  
3     IEEE 1394 standard.

- 1     25.     (original)     The network of devices as claimed in claim 20 wherein the cancelling  
2     command substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

- 1     26.     (currently amended) A network of devices coupled together by a standard IEEE 1394  
2     serial bus comprising:  
3             a.       a controlling device in communication with the standard IEEE 1394 serial bus and  
4                     configured for sending a cancelling command over the standard IEEE 1394 serial  
5                     bus, wherein the cancelling command is a status command sent while the pending  
6                     notify command is pending; and  
7             b.       a target device in communication with the standard IEEE 1394 serial bus and  
8                     configured for receiving the cancelling command and cancelling a pending notify  
9                     command if the cancelling command is received while the pending notify  
10                    command is pending.

Claims 27-29 (canceled).

Please add the following new claims:

1     30.     (new) A method of cancelling a pending notify command at a target device comprising:  
2             a.     sending a cancelling command over a network from a controlling device to the  
3                     target device, wherein the cancelling command is a duplicate of the pending notify  
4                     command sent while the pending notify command is pending; and  
5             b.     cancelling the pending notify command at the target device when the cancelling  
6                     command is received while the pending notify command is pending.

1     31.     (new) The method as claimed in claim 30 wherein the network substantially complies  
2     with a version of the IEEE 1394 standard.

1     32.     (new) The method as claimed in claim 31 wherein the cancelling command substantially  
2     complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

1     33.     (new) A target device for communicating with a controlling device over a network, the  
2     target device comprising:  
3             a.     means for communicating with the controlling device over the network, the means  
4                     for communicating including ability to receive a notify command from the  
5                     controlling device, issue an interim response to the notify command to the  
6                     controlling device and receive a cancelling command from the controlling device,  
7                     wherein the cancelling command is a duplicate of the pending notify command  
8                     sent while the pending notify command is pending; and  
9             b.     means for cancelling coupled to the means for communicating for cancelling a  
10                    pending notify command if a cancelling command is received from the controlling  
11                    device while the pending notify command is pending.

1     34.     (new) The target device as claimed in claim 33 wherein the network substantially  
2     complies with a version of the IEEE 1394 standard.

1     35.     (new) The target device as claimed in claim 34 wherein the cancelling command  
2     substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

1     36.    (new) A target device configured to communicate with a controlling device over a  
2     network, the target device comprising:

- 3           a.     an interface circuit configured to communicate with the controlling device over  
4                 the network, the interface circuit including ability to receive a notify command  
5                 from the controlling device, issue an interim response to the notify command and  
6                 receive a cancelling command from the controlling device, wherein the cancelling  
7                 command is a duplicate of the pending notify command sent while the pending  
8                 notify command is pending; and  
9           b.     a control circuit coupled to the interface circuit to cancel a pending notify  
10                command if a cancelling command is received from the controlling device while  
11                the pending notify command is pending.

1     37.    (new) The target device as claimed in claim 36 wherein the network substantially  
2     complies with a version of the IEEE 1394 standard.

1     38.    (new) The target device as claimed in claim 37 wherein the cancelling command  
2     substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

1     39.    (new) A network of devices coupled together comprising:

- 2           a.     a controlling device configured to send a cancelling command to cancel a pending  
3                 notify command, wherein the cancelling command is a duplicate of the pending  
4                 notify command sent while the pending notify command is pending; and  
5           b.     a target device including:  
6                 i.     an interface circuit configured to communicate with the controlling device  
7                        to receive the cancelling command from the controlling device; and  
8                 ii.    a control circuit coupled to the interface circuit to cancel a pending notify  
9                        command if the cancelling command is received from the controlling  
10                      device while the pending notify command is pending.

1     40.    (new) The network of devices as claimed in claim 39 wherein the target device is  
2     coupled to the controlling device over a network substantially complying with a version of the  
3     IEEE 1394 standard.

1     41.     (new) The network of devices as claimed in claim 39 wherein the cancelling command  
2     substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

1     42.     (new) A network of devices coupled together by a standard IEEE 1394 serial bus  
2     comprising:

- 3           a.     a controlling device in communication with the standard IEEE 1394 serial bus and  
4                 configured for sending a cancelling command over the standard IEEE 1394 serial  
5                 bus, wherein the cancelling command is a duplicate of the pending notify  
6                 command sent while the pending notify command is pending; and  
7           b.     a target device in communication with the standard IEEE 1394 serial bus and  
8                 configured for receiving the cancelling command and cancelling a pending notify  
9                 command if the cancelling command is received while the pending notify  
10                command is pending.